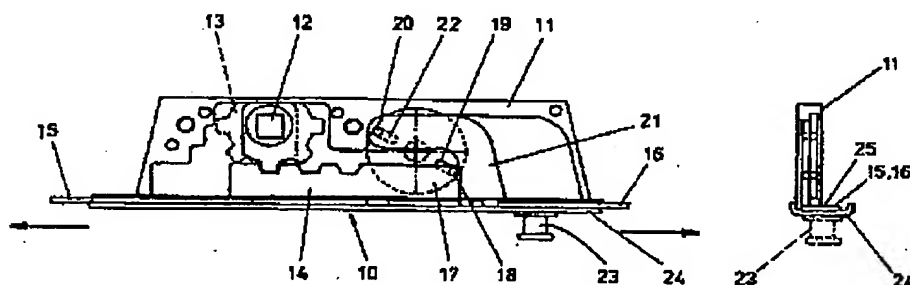


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(57) An espagnolette mechanism 10 comprises a gearbox 11 having a gear 13 mounted for rotation in the gearbox 11 under the action of the rotary input 12, a rack 14 in mesh with the gear 13, a sliding rail 15 coupled with the rack 14 and capable of linear reciprocation upon rotation of the gear 13, a locking projection 23 carried by the rail 15 and moveable between locking and release positions with respect to a fixed keeper on the fixed frame, upon movement of the rail 15. A second rail 16 is connected to a slave pinion 17 by drive pins 18, 20 and an operating arm 21 such that it moves in the opposite direction to rail 15. The rails 15, 16 are slidably mounted on a fixed mounting rail 24 which is adapted to mount the espagnolette mechanism 10 on the face of a frame member of an openable frame.

**FIG. 1****FIG. 2**

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